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Vernon A Williams, Secretary Surface Transportation Board 395 E Street, S W, Surte 1149 Washington, DC 20024

Re STB Γinance Docket No 34870, PYCO Industries, Inc ν South Plains Switching, Ltd Co

Dear Mr Williams

Please refer to the Motion to Compel filed by PYCO Industries, Inc. (PYCO) in the above proceeding on August 13, 2007

PYCO's suggestion -- that Defendant South Plains Switching, Ltd Co (SAW) not be afforded an opportunity to reply to the Motion — would not be compatible with procedural due process of law. The applicable regulation provides for 20 days for SAW to file such a reply. See 49 C F R § 1104 13(a). The procedural schedule should be extended in order to permit SAW to file its reply within that prescribed time frame.

At a minimum, SAW requires two weeks to prepare and file its reply, i.e., by August 27. 2007 SAW has been preoccupied with preparing replies to two other motions recently filed by PYCO, for which the date for reply is August 15, 2007 See the Board's decision in Finance Docket No 34889 served August 10, 2007 SAW cannot begin to turn its attention to PYCO's Motion to Compel until August 16, 2007 A reply date of August 27, 2007 would provide for only 10 days to reply to PYCO's 29-page Motion

Respectfully submitted,

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